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NASSAU - BAHAMAS

On Board, 10th February 2006

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Departure from Baton Rouge. Port Allen Terminal. 05.48 hrs P.O.B Mr. J. Strahan Jr, No. 38. 06.36 M.E. tested ahead and astern. 07.00 hrs Fwd stbd bow tug made fast "Peggy H". Two additional tugs engaged. Tug "Gladys" pushing at stbd midship. Tug "Margareth Cooper" pushing at stbd stearn. 07.00 hrs S.B.E.. commenced unmooring. At 07.30 hrs all lines clear. Vessel was turning stbd in view to pass under the bridge. Engine was engaged full astern. River current was too strong affecting ship's port beam. Engine and tugs could not stand strength of current, that was pushing vessel to the bridge concrete pillar. At 07.40 hrs vessel touched wooden protection of Bridge concrete pillar and damaged it. There is slight damage at stbd bow plating. Forepeak is holed under water surface. Soon after it was filled by river water up to draft level. Expected damage at forepeak area under water surface. At 07.50 hrs let go port anchor 4 shackles in the water. At 07.50 hrs let go stbd anchor 4 shackles in the water. Presently vessel anchored at Baton Rouge Meal Anchorage.

MASTER Capt. Pero Metkovic

